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## House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
May 8, 2006.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MAC THORNBERRY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Eternal Creator of streams and pastures and mountains and seas, and all the beauty of the Earth, calm the forces of nature. Bring out the best in Your people.

Eternal shepherd, guide of the nations, though Your people walk in the valley of darkness and live in fear of terrorists, illness, natural disaster, and all forms of evil human behavior, You ask us to place all our anxieties into Your hands. Help us to live attuned to Your voice, so that we may stay on the safe path and find our way to peace.

As Your people, may we come to know the strength of Your outstretched arm and take delight in Your presence. With You as our shepherd, we need only to follow You now and forever. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, May 5, 2006.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on May 5, 2006, at 10:30 am:

That the Senate passed S. 1086.

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H.J. Res. 83.

That the Senate agreed to without amendment H. Con. Res. 359.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,  
*Clerk of the House.*

### BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House reports that on May 5, 2006, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill.

H.R. 3351. To make technical corrections to laws relating to Native Americans, and for other purposes.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m. tomorrow for morning hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 9, 2006, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debate.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

7284. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003 a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Burma declared by Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

7285. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

7286. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's Annual No Fear Report to Congress for FY 2005, pursuant to Section 203 of the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2003, Pub. L. 107-174; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7287. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting in accordance with Section 647(b) of Division F of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY 2004, Pub. L. 108-199, the Office's report on competitive sourcing efforts for FY 2005; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7288. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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